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Foreign Office informs us House of Commons subcommittee which wished to proceed abroad to examine UK foreign service establishments has been denied permission to do so under old ruling by Clerk of House that proper sphere of jurisdiction of Parliamentary committees is within UK. Committee intends publish report on its proposal. Will include reference to American Congressional practice of sending committees abroad and cite number of instances where such committees have visited UK. With respect to Kersten Committee will mention fact it requested approval of British Government and obtained this on acceptance of the conditions which were specified.

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